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DTCC Equity Kinetics is a service market participants rely on for a better understanding of the U.S. Equity Markets.

Each month, this publication highlights key metrics derived from the service to illustrate use cases.

These stocks were the 10 Best & Worst Performers in the S&P 500 for April 2021:

Ticker	Actual Return	EK Signal	EK VWAP - 4/8	EK VWAP - 4/30	EKDC Return
COG	-12.16%	Long	17.86	16.72	-4.49%
CTXS	-11.71%	Long	142.81	123.89	-12.98%
DFS	17.86%	Long	98.47	114.14	13.98%
^^^DISCA	-12.31%	Short	42.00	37.94	9.48%
DISH	23.11%	Long	37.78	44.99	19.94%
EBAY	-10.62%	Short	62.26	56.05	9.86%
ENPH	-15.20%	Short	153.48	140.95	6.27%
EFX	25.56%	Short	184.01	227.27	-10.00%
FFIV	-11.12%	Short	209.88	186.85	11.12%
HOLX	-12.25%	Long	73.28	65.37	-10.00%
INTC	-10.30%	Long	66.85	57.59	-10.00%
IQV	18.77%	Short	204.09	234.48	-10.00%
PENN	-16.71%	Short	104.57	89.50	14.14%
POOL	20.39%	Long	358.51	421.77	14.64%
SIVB	19.00%	Long	486.70	574.23	16.11%
TPR	16.63%	Long	43.18	47.86	7.14%
TWTR	-12.87%	Long	70.59	56.35	-10.00%
UPS	19.07%	Long	172.66	203.17	16.00%
WST	15.43%	Short	291.97	327.62	-11.26%

EK
Return 3.16%
Average
EK Long
Return 3.67%
Avg
EK Short
Return 2.45%
Average
S&P500^ 5.20%

[^] https://www.wsj.com/articles/global-stock-markets-dow-update-04-30-2021-11619768280

[^]Determined with Equity Kinetics Buy VWAPs on the first and last day of the month

^{^^^}Average return of DISCA and DISCK







Background

One of the data elements in DTCC Equity Kinetics that users find valuable is consolidated volumes of activity at a stock and trade-side level, as this gives a perspective on market sentiment.

Each month, we take the ratio of the sell- and short-sell volumes and calculate the 50day and 200-day moving averages (DMA) of both. Then, the 50DMA is divided by the 200DMA to create a ratio. When this ratio is above 1, the Equity Kinetics signal is viewed as positive. When it's below 1, it's viewed as negative.

At the end of each month, we look at the top 10 and bottom 10 stocks (in terms of return) from the ***S&P 500 index. We then look back at the signals we saw in Equity Kinetics during the first 5 trading days of the month for these 20 stocks. If the signal was positive, we open a hypothetical long position starting on the 5th trading day until the end of the month. If the signal was negative, we open a hypothetical short position for the same time period. If there is no signal, we do nothing.

Note: Our signals are obtained by examining technical indicators known as the Golden Cross* and Death Cross**, using data from DTCC Equity Kinetics.

Fields

Ticker – Exchange symbol for a stock

Actual Return - The percentage difference in the Buy VWAP from the first day of the month in question and the last day of the month

EK Signal (Long/Short/None) - During the first 5 trading days of the month, did the comparison of the 50/200 DMA averages described above suggest a bullish, bearish or neutral trend? If bullish, it was intended as a long position, if bearish, a short position, or neutral, there would be no position.

EK VWAP 4/8 - The equity Kinetics VWAP on the 5th tading day of the month EK VWAP 4/30 - The equity Kinetics VWAP on the last tading day of the month **EK 4/8-4/30** – The percentage difference in the EK buy VWAPs on the respective dates. If the position was 'Short' the inverse return is shown.

We use a 10% stop loss on any position in calculating returns for DTCC Equity Kinetics (EK). All data points derived from DTCC Equity Kinetics, unless noted otherwise.

*https://www.investopedia.com/terms/g/goldencross.asp

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^{**}https://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/deathcross.asp

^{***}https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of S%26P 500 companies